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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

MS: AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir/Madam:

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed October 7, 2003, Applicant hereby requests that amendments be made to claim 1, as set forth herein. The amendments to claim 1 were discussed in a telephone interview on December 5, 2003 between Examiner Brier and the undersigned. In that interview, it was agreed that the amendments to claim 1 would place the captioned case in condition for allowance over the only cited reference to U.S. Publication 2001/0033284 to Chan (hereinafter "Chan").

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.